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The News of Brooklyn

WANTS RHODES IMPEACHED. | THE TRUST GAINS TIME.

THE JUNE GRAND JURY DENGUNCES THE POLICE JUSTICE.

DECLARES THAT THE METHODS USED BY JACOB PRODIE'S COLLECTING AGENCY WERE UN-

LAWFUL, AND THAT THE OFFICIAL AIDED HIM-NOT TIME TO FINISH THE INVES-

The June Grand Jury, before adjourning yesterday, took occasion to refer in no complimentary terms to Jacob Bredie, whose Systematic Colle ting Agency, with offices at No. 367 Fultonhas for several years attracted much attention. The Grand Jury also recommended that charges for impeachment be preferred against Police Justice John C. Rhodes, of Bath Beach, and that the case be submitted to the July Grand

TIGATIONS.

Jury, to the end that he may be indicted. The jury condemned Brodie's conduct in get ting assignments of claims, and then needlessly annoying and harassing people who are debtors for small amounts, and in many cases annoying

those who are not debtore. His practices, the jury declared, were unlawful, and the conduct of Justice Rhodes in lending his office to aid and abet Brodie, and in violating the law in not keeping proper records in his office

was disapproved and condemned. The jury charged that Justice Rhodes assisted Brodie in his unlawful work. It also found that there were certain crimes committed by Brodle for the proper investigation of which the jury did not have time. The statement to the Court recommends that the July Grand Jury take up the work and carry the investigation to com-

METHODS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN USED The jury, in its report, gave a detailed account of Brodie's alleged method of collecting money A letter was sent to a debtor, stating that the account had been purchased by the company "We presume you will be from the creditor. anxious to pay without litigation," it would read. In case of no response by the alleged debtor, a econd letter would be sent, suggesting that ouble and costs could be avoided by settling the account on or before a certain date. If no reply was received to this letter a summons would be issued in the name of Brodie against the alleged debtor, giving a fictitious Christian name usually, and with the summons would be issued a subpoena, which would be served at the came time with the summons, and would require

the alleged debtor to appear in court. Many of these summonses, the report of the jury says, have been issued by Justice Rhodes Continuing, the report says:

HOW RHODES, IT IS CHARGED, ASSISTED "These summonses are prepared in the office of Brodie; both the original and the copy served and the subpoena are prepared there. The original summonses are then taken to Justice Rhodes, at Bath Beach, where he signs them and signs an authority deputizing the agents of Brodle to serve the said summonses. No record is made by Justice Rhodes of said summonses and said subpos-

tice Rhodes of said summonses and said subpoenas, and they are all intrusted to the plaintiff Brodie. These summonses are all made returnable on Saturday afternoons, half of them at 2 o'clock and the other half at 2:30. There were, on an average, about one hundred and thirty of these issued every week.

"In two years over 7,500 such actions have been commenced by said Brodie, as pfaintiff, before said Rhodes. These alleged debtors came from every part of the city, and were summoned to appear at Bath Beach before Justice Rhodes on Saturday afternoons, no matter whether they came from Greenpoint or East New-York, or any other part of the city. When these summonses were returnable, said Brodie appeared with a list of the same and with sworn statements by his of the same and with sworn statements of agents of the service to the alleged debtors, o whom on an average about one-third appear it court. Those who do not appear are marked it default, and those who do appear are required to of the same and with sworn default, and those who do appear are reported formish the testimony as to whether they owe anybody a bill or not, and if they allege they do not owe a bill adjournments are taken from time to time, thus harassing and annoying those who do owe small bills, and those who do not owe any

lis at all.

The report finds-that many persons who owed debt at all paid to Brodle an alleged judgment, the costs, to avoid the annoyance threatened in Brodie's letters. The closing paragraph of the re-

Brode. This Grand Jury had not the time to complete this investigation, as evidence was accumulating against said Rhodes and Brodie before us. We therefore recommend that this matter be also submitted to the next Grand Jury, and that such persons who have been thus harassed be brought before the Grand Jury, that the evidence may be completed, to the end that said Brodie

AN IMPORTANT EXCISE CASE.

THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SOCIETY WILL BRING A NOVEL SUIT TO-DAY.

In the Lee Avenue Police Court this morning the Law Enforcement Society will bring a novel suit. The suit is to annul an excise certificate granted by Colonel Michell under the new law, which authorizes the issuance of certificates on the face of the application. It is the result of an investigation made by T. De Quincy Tully, secretary of the Law Enforcement Society, and the Rev. F. B. Russeil, of the De Kalb Avenue Methodist Church, who is also an earnest and active member of the society. The society alleges that the saloon of John O'Brien, at South Third and Redney sts., is within 200 feet of the church pre-sided over by the Rev. Dr. Potter. An imporrant question is involved in the case, as, from the de-cision of the court, a precedent will be established.

NOTES FROM THE NAVY YARD.

The Ammen ram Katahdin was floated into the drydock yesterday forenoon, and will remain there two or three days, in which time her bottom will be scraped, cleaned and pairted, and repairs on which

Some time to-day, it is announced, the trainingship Alliance, which has been in the drydock, will start for Newport. She was floated yesterday, and completed the taking on board of her coal supplies before sundown. At Newport she will take on board crew of apprentice boys and start on her sumty-six apprentice boys from the Alliance and

Indeteen seamen from the Vermont started for the Navy Yard at League Ioland yesterday, to join the battle-ship Massachusetts.

Leutenant Nathaniel J. K. Patch, who has re-cently been in charge of the branch hydrographic of-fice in Boston, reported for duty yesterday as execu-tive officer of the Alliance.

TWO METER INSPECTORS NAMED. City Works Commissioner Willis vesterday appointed Sutherland Miller and Edwin A. Springsteed meter inspectors. The places pay \$1,200

year each. Romeo T. Betts was also appointed a

MOWBRAY'S CASE CONTINUED.

Justice Nostrand, in the Coney Island Police Court sterday continued the case of Andrew Mowbray, of No. 237 Schermerhorn-st., who was arrested or the occasion of the bicycle parade on Saturday, charged with having driven his team across the and upsetting Captain Hamlin, who was lead-

Mr. Mowbray declared to the Court that he was not to blame, and that Hamilin was not paying atten-tion to his riding when the collision occurred. As the whole affair was accidental, and he had offered to pay for any damage done. Mr. Mowbray said that he did not see how his arrest was justified.

GAS QUESTIONS TO BE HEARD IN ALBANY ON JULY 13.

COUNSEL IN THE LESTER APPLICATION TO THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL SAYS HARD THINGS

Albany, N. Y., June 29.-Attorney-General Hancock has set a hearing at noon, July 13, on the application of John C. Lester, that he begin an action to annul the charters of the seven Brooklyn gas companies under the name of the Brooklyn W. Hyde, of Brooklyn, representing the petitioner, appeared before the Attorney-General to-day under the impression that a hearing would be had at The Attorney-General, however, conferred with Bergen & Dykman, of Brooklyn, attorneys for the company, who asked for delay, which was

"The seven gas companies in Brooklyn were consolidated some time ago into a single company under the name of the Brooklyn Union Gas Company. Previous thereto the individual companies had charged an average rate of 90 cents for 1,000 cubic feet for gas in Brooklyn. After the combination the consolidated company took advantage of the law which allows a charge of \$1 25 per ,000 feet in Brooklyn. The Brooklyn Union Gas Company had a espital of \$15,000,000, and issued company had a capital of \$15,00,000, and issued bonds to a like amount, all but \$500,000 of which was exchanged for the stocks and bonds of the individual companies. The merging of the individual companies into one corporation forms a most flagrant abuse of the anti-monopoly laws of this State, as its object was primarily and solely for the purpose of increasing the profits of individual companies through co-operation and the absence of competition.

competition.

"Mr. Lester is a citizen of Brooklyn, and this application requests the Attorney-General to begin an action to annul the charters of the individual companies, and to restrain the consolidated corporation from continuing business on the ground that they are violating the law to prevent restraint of trade and an increase of price."

been at work for four or five months gatherral, and for his use. This evidence not only shows small sure. Two juries have nominally acquitted there is evidence to the effect that where two or more of these companies have parallel lines in a given street, and a consumer has requested to be harged against the organizers of the Brooklyn-nion Company is punishable by a heavy fine and marksonment. Chapter 287, of the laws of 188, ermits the Attorney-tleneral to being an injunction bit in cases of this kind, and sections 1.79; and 739 of the civil code give him power to proceed or the annulment of the charters of corporations

NO GAS FOR THE THIRTY-SECOND WARD. ALDERMAN OLTROGGE AROUSES OPPOSITION-HINTS OF "SAWDUST" OTHER BUSINESS

REPORE THE ALDERMEN. resolution permitting the Brooklyn Union Gas Company to extend its mains into the Thirty-second Ward, which was adopted at last week's meeting of the Board of Aldermen, was yesterday rescinded by that body. Alderman Leaveraft of fered the resolution to resolud. Alderman Olirouze said. The Brooklyn Union company, according to recent decisions, had the right to lay mains any way, and the application to the Board for a special

against giving the workingmen of the Thirty-second Ward the light they are asking for," he said.

Immediately after the close of the meeting of the Board, the Republican Aldermen held a caucus.
Mr. Oltrogge complained bitterly of the action of munity the Board in rescinding his resolution. One of the Aldermen who had voted with Oltrogge made th unpleasant suggestion that some of those who had voted to rescind had been influenced by "sawdust." The Aldermen in caucus voted in favor of transferring \$5,000 from the 1896 to the 1897 street-clean ing fund, as requested by the Board of Estimate

HITTING AT OLTROGGE.

The large vote in favor of rescinding the gas main extension resolution, and several other moves that were made during the meeting of the Board, were said to be aimed at Alderman Oltrogge. It seems the Republican Aldermen attempted to prepare to authorizing the Military Committee to do repairing to cost \$250 to the old 14th Regiment armory Alder man Oltrogge, with Aldermen Stewart, Guilfoyle and others, said that he would not vote to override and this incensed some of the Republican members against Olfrogge. When a resolution to erect (went) against Offrogge. When a resolution refer to be electric lights in Avenue B, the expense to be charged to the Twenty-ninth Ward, was introduced it was voted down in spite of the tearful protest of Mr. Offrogge.

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The latter had better success with a resolution granting power to the Law Committee, of which he is chairman, to send for persons and papers in its inquiry into the right of the Brooklyn Heights Rattroad to do an express business. This was adoped, and the Corporation Counsel was instructed to assign counsel for the inquiry. Preliminary arrangements will be made by the committee at a meeting to be held Thursday night.

A resolution was introduced by Mr. Oltrogge ordering that the tracks of the Culver road in Gravesendave, be relaid to conform to the established grade of the avenue. It instructed the radiroad to remove the posts, culverts and other obstructions which it has constructed along the avenue. In order to carry out these instructions, the City Works Commissioner was instructed by the resolution to examine the condition of the avenue and to give the road thirty days' notice to relay its tracks and remove obstructions, and, the company failing to do R, the city was to do it at the expense of the railroad. This resolution was adopted after Aiderman Francisco had tacked on an amendment substituting the Railroad Committee for the City Works Commissioner. Aiderman Otrogge, in support of his resolution, said that Gravesendave, which was originally intended for a boulevard, had been ruined for driving purposes, and that the tracks of this company were eight inches above grade.

OTHER BUSINESS TRANSACTED.

An application from the heirs of William Richardson, to make \$1,510, paid by Mr. Richardson some years ago as a one-tenth payment for ten lots of he East Side land, returned to the estate, was re-

the East Side land, returned to the estate, was referred to the Law Committee.

Anderman Messinger incroduced a resolution resembling a former resolution which gave the Hooper estate the privilege of erecting a large gramite foundain at Sixth and Flatbush aves. Mr. Messinger said that Mayor Schieren had refused to give a permit for this fountain, because of a protest from the members of the Carlton Club and residents of the meightorhood. It seems that the former resolution authorized the Park and City Works Commissioners to co-operate in the crection of the fountain, and that they had been doing this.

"Do not let us refuse this fountain, even if that site should prove to be undesirable," said Aiderman Oltrogge. "I move to amend that the fountain be established at Flatbush and Washington aves." The whole matter was then referred to the Law Committee.

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Palmer, the latter was given authority to issue
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Adderman Oltrogge introduced a resolution for the macadamizing of East New-York-ave, from Rodgers-ave, to Eastern Farkway at a cost of \$42,000.

Alderman Francisco attempted to get the Board to adjourn over for two weeks, giving as a reason that the ceiling of the Counsel Chamber, was to be turn out. Objection was raised that the Foard of Estimate had to report to the Board of Alderman after two weeks, and he withdraw his resolution.

ENDED IN A FIZZLE.

JOINT CONSPIRACY INDICTMENT AGAINST THE EX-FIRE MARSHAL AND OTHERS DISMISSED.

DISTRICT-ATTORNEY BACKUS MOVED FOR THE

THE WITNESSES WAS ILL-KLEIN AD-MITTED TO BAIL AFTER A DISPUTE.

After three months of sensational announcements and promises of disclosures the joint indictment against Benjamin F. Lewis, ex-Fire Marshal; Rob-Zundt, ex-detective, and Adolph Hirschkopf, charg-David Weinig on a charge of extortion, was dis-County Court, and on motion of District-Attorney Foster L. Backus. The fact that Mr. Backus in-tended to make the motion was announced in The Tribune several days ago, and the ground on which he would ask for the dismissal of the indictment was published at that time.

When Mr. Backus came into court yesterday be

"I make this motion to dismiss because there is

no possibility of bringing these cases to trial below the vacation term, and Your Honor will remember that you set one case down peremptorily for July 6. It would be impossible for us to be ready by that is ill in a hospital and would not be able to appear the hospital."

"I will grant the motion," said Judge Hurd, "on the ground that there is no hope of a conviction reng from the trial."

This ended that act in the drams. None of the indicted men were in the courtroom, nor was any of them represented by counsel, although Mr. Backus said he had told them of his intention to make the

Klein, indicted for aroon in the first degree, upon whose guilt or innoceace the jury failed to agree while Mr. Backus made his motion. When he had finished, Mr. Elder said to Judge Hurd: "I don't know whether or not Mr. Backus intends to move

that, I will let you know in advance," retorted the District-Attorney.

"Then I shall ask that bad be fixed for Kieb

Ward the light they are asking for," he said.

Alderman Leaycraft cave as a reacon for reseinding that the grant had not specified what price could be charged in the ward.

The motion to rescind was carried, thirteen members with the property of the charge of the Grand Jury state that most of the caves brought before them are those of what might be called "amateur" criminals oil offended might be called "amateur" criminals.

BRIDGE TRUSTEES NEGLIGENT.

FOR LACK OF A OFFICE

The Brooklyn Bridge Commissioners male their third attempt yesterday to hold the annual meeting for the election of officers, but were compelled to defer it because a quotum of the members was not for the election of officers, but were compelled to defer it because a quorum of the members was not on hand. President Howell and Trustee S. L. Keeney were the only two members present yesterday. The Board will make the attempt to hold a meeting on July B. President Unimann, of the Brooklye Elevatest Railroad, was on hand with another proposition to run curs across the Ridge, but he will had it until the Board is fortunate enough to get its members together. No reason was given for the absence of the trustees. No word was received from either Mayor Wurster, Mayor Strong or Controller Palmer, J. Scaver Fage is somewhere in Europe, and Mr. Henriques, so far as is known, at Mathalian Feich. Although the Board appears to be in no particular hurry to elect officers or transact necessary business, there is more that they will meet some time before the chill of winter again settles down upon a compaisant city.

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FIGHTING FOR NEPTUNE-AVE.

THE CONEY ISLAND AND BEOOKLYN COMPANY TRIES TO ENJOIN THE CONEY ISLAND AND GRAVESEND SYSTEM.

Justice Smith, in the Supreme Court, heard an application yesterday made by the Coney Island and Brooklyn Railroad Company, through its attorney. James C. Bergen, to continue a temporary injunction restraining the Coney Island and Gravesend Ratio road, which is a branch of the Flynn system, from building its road in Neptune-ave. Mr. Bergen said that the avenue was opened in 1822, and that the Coney Island plank road and Eighth-st. became a part of it. The plaintiff had tracks in the old Coney part of it. The plaintiff has tracks in the old codey Island plank road, and took them away for a time at the request of the town of Gravesend, so that the improvements might be made and Neptune-ave, opened. Last December the company began to relay its tracks, but was stopped by a property-owner's it junction. The case was carried up on appeal, and the Appellate Court decided that the plaintiff never bandoned its right to the Concy Island plank road and that the raising or lowering of the grade did re

and that the raising or lowering of the grade did not affect its right to use the street. Now the defendant wanted to put tracks in the avenue, and said that the plaintiff had no right there. The fact of the case was that the defendant had no right to interfere with the work of the plaintiff or lay its tracks in Neptune-ave.

In opposition to the application James C. Churca said that the law provided that a railroad company must have actually built in a street before it could exclude others from it. The plaintiff simply tore up the street and laid a few tracks, and that did not constitute a railroad. The Coney Island and Brooklyn Company never had any rights in Neptune-ave, since it abandoned the street, and the defendant had a perfect right to put its tracks there.

DEATH OF A. T. WALLING.

News of the death of A. T. Walling, once well known in this city as an editor and lawyer, reached here yesterday. He died suddenly from paralysis of the brain in Circleville, Ohio, a week ago. He was born on January 10, 1824, and in early life earned the printing trade, and then married a daughter of General Joseph Burns. One of his children, Miss Sarah Walling, now lives in Brook-lyn. Mr. Walling was a Democrat and took an active interest in politics. He served two years in Congress, being elected from the XIIth Ohio Dis-

NO WOMEN TO BE NAMED BAY RIDGE'S GREAT DAY. A TEACHER'S JEWELS STOLEN.

THE MAYOR TO CONFINE HIS BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTMENTS TO MEN.

NOT MEANT AS A SLIGHT TO THOSE OF THE FAIR SEX WHO ARE IN THE PRESENT BODY-

AN ATTEMPT MAY BE MADE TO DIS-PLACE MR. SWANSTROM.

Mayor Wurster is unquestionably an admirer of the modern spirit which believes in giving a fair chance to women, but, in spite of this, in ents of members of the Board of Education which he will announce to-day or to-morrow to the This announcement will cause winge of chagrin on the part of a number of women who are no doubt only too willing to serve of Education, and also to the present women mem Mrs. Pettengill, Miss Perry and Mrs. J. M. Powell who would, no doubt, like "company." Fo far as can be learned, Mayor Wurster has

not revealed to any of his friends the operations of his mind whereby he came to the decision that men would be better than women. When asked at different times in the last few months if there was any room for criticism with reference to the book they want. sdaptability or efficiency of the present women members of the Board, he has said frankly that there was none whatever. Inquiry among the offi-cers of the Board of Education also reveals a kindly and satisfied feeling toward the wome members, and it is freely conceded all around that, in committee work and in the sessions of the en have done their full part, and fully measure up to the bigh standard of ability, both practical and theoret.cal, mainta ned in the Brook'yn Board of Education. But no more women will be af old member of the Board yesterday, when not look upon the availability of women in the said that the only reason for it was, probably, tha women in the Board of Education were looked upon, not only by Mayor Wurster, but by a great

FIVE DETECTIVES REMOVED.

DISTRICT-ATTORNEY BACKUS REDUCES THE

PORCE IN HIS OFFICE BY HALF.

THE THIRD ATTEMPT TO ELECT OFFICERS FAILS provided that there should be at least seven county detectives, and not more than ien; that they should detective, and not more than ien; that they should

A BIG CONTRACT FOR TUBING.

THE RICYCLE BUSINESS CALLS FOR QUICK WORK The immensity of the business done in bley-te may be judged by a statement made to a Tribune re-porter a couple of days ago by Eliphalet W. Hilss of Bay Ridge. He has just completed an immens shop at Fifty-third-st., for the manufacture of cold frawn tubing. His output hitherto has been 19,00 feet a day, working night and day. He has selved orders for 4,000,000 feet, which will call for the manufacture of 25,000 feet daily. When it the manufacture of 25,000 feet daily. When it considered that this means almost 751 miles of sic tubing the magnatude of the contract may be mortally estimated. Even the 25,000 feet daily swel into larger proportions, as it means an output considerably more than four and one-half mice each twenty-four hours. All this work is mainly done by hydraulic power.

WASSMUTH FACTION MEETS A SNAG The application of William J. Wassmuth, a forme Supervisor of the Twenty-fifth Ward, and twenty-si others, for a peremptory writ of maniamus to com-pel the reinstatement of the petitioners as members was yesterday denied by Justice Smith, of the Su-preme Court, on a technicality. The Wassmuth fac-tion aliege that they were expelled ideaally from the ward committee on May 19 last. They asked for a mandamus directed to the persons who had voted for their expulsion. On the hearing the responsionis de nied that the expulsion was illegal, and also declared nied that the expulsion was illegal, and also declared that the application should be denied, as the writ was not directed against all the members of the ward committee, and those against whom it was directed, who were not a majority of the committee, could not possibly reinstate the relations if the other members, who were not mandamused, chose to vote the other way.

Judge Smach has denied the writ on the latter ground, saying, however, that he did not pass on the merits of the case, as he expected that the relators would amend their application soon.

SHE WANTED THE DOG KILLED. Justice Walsh, in the Adams Street Court, yester-

day, was asked to grant a permit for the killing of a French poodle, owned by Mrs. Sloan, of No. 247 Jay-Mrs. Elizabeth Peters, of No. 161 Myrtle-ave made the complaint, asserting that the dog had bitten her eight-year-old daughter, and that the child was now under treatment in the Pasteur Institute. The

THE LIBRARY CORNERSTONE TO BE LAID

ON JULY 4.

AN ELABORATE PROGRAMME ARRANGED-WOM-EN'S WORK CROWNED WITH SUCCESS.

The ever-glorious Fourth of July will receive an usual and additional shade of glory at Bay Ridge on Saturday, because the cornerstone of the new free library, at Seventy-fifth-st, and Second-ave., will be laid on that afternoon.

For several years women residents of that paradise of Long Island, to say nothing of Brooklyn, have been struggling to spread good books among the less fortunate of their fellow-mortals. In 1888 a free library was established, and in 1893 it was incorporated. It grew in eight years from a small collection of 100 books well to-day it has some 5,000 volumes upon its shelves, the most of which are in circulation all the time. Then it started in to sprend the light, and established two sister libraries, one at Fort Hamilton, the other at Bensonhurst, presenting the unique spectacle of two city wards possessing three free libraries. They are free in the fullest sense; there is no red tape. the children, girls, boys, women or men select the

It is said on the best authority that only one book has been lost since the library started, and that the man who lost it committed suicide. Anyway, the library flourished under the exertions of the patronesses. The rooms became too cramped and the managers cast about for more roomy quar-

Before going further it must be stated that the Before going further it must be stated that the pieces were given to her in the course of the ibrary are James Dean, the well-known florist of Bay Ridge, who fills the president's career as a singer.

"Their intrinsic value was fully \$2,000," said. chair; Eliphalet W. Bliss, vice-president; Frank N.

MRS, CHARLOTTE F. SHEVILLE MISSES A COLLECTION VALUED AT \$2,000.

THE GEMS WERE KEPT IN A CASKET, WHICE

WAS ON HER DRESSER-PRIZED FOR THEIR ASSOCIATIONS.

Mns. Charlotte F. Sheville, principal of Public School No. 6, lost a collection of jewels, valued at \$2,000, by theft about a week ago. The theft was not discovered by her until yesterday morning. Mrs. Sheville lives at No. 72 Rogers-ave. It was her custom to keep her jewels in a casket in & dresser, which stood in her sleeping apartment. She had no occasion to use them for a week previous to yesterday. The articles taken were one cluster diamond

ring, seven stones; one solitaire diamond, one marquise emerald ring, three emeralds, studded with about twenty-five diamond chips; one large pearl ring, extra large, oval shaped, set in heavy gold; one gold bracelet, set with three diamonds; one beryl stone bracelet, one antique diamond brooch, set in silver; one amber and gold hairpin, set with rhinestones. So far there is no clew to the thief. Mrs. Sheville

thinks that the servant left the front door open one morning, and some sneakthlef, seeing his opportunity, entered. Yesterday noon, through, her
attorneys, Keogh, Simis & Murphy, Mrs. Sheville
placed the case in the hands of Detective Reynolds, of the Central Office force, who detailed a
man to work upon it.

Mrs. Sheville feels her loss keenly, as several of
the places were given to her in the course of her
career as a singer.



Doubl-day, secretary, and James Townsend, treas- | che, yesterday, "but the associations with which ?

sists of Norman White, P. C. Johnson, James Lane and Van Brunt Bergen. The powers that really made the movement a great success consist of Mrs. E. W. Bliss, Mrs. V. H. Bergen, Mrs. Nels Poulson, Mrs. Herbert Clin-ton, Mrs. Otto Heinigke and Mrs. F. N. Doubleday. They started a market in the Bay Ridge Athenaeum,

where they sold their surplus flowers and fruit realizing from \$30 to \$30 a day. When they made up their minds that a new library building was celed, there was nothing for the officers to do but chase of two lots at Second-ave, and Seventy-fifth-st, and the fund swelled to 16,000. John Pettit, the was engaged, and Daniel Ryan, of the

It will have a frontage on Second-ave, of 55 feet 2 inches, and extend back 30 feet 2 inches. There will

st about \$10,00, and this will be largely raised by opinir subscription, as all the funds already in and have been raised. In the autumn a fair will be held, which the patronesses hope will go far tow-describe off any deot that may then exist. As the library now exists, applicants for books two to be as; much lated in reasys, the enderen takes the earlier hours, the other ones later on, and the own people after 10 octock. This shows the popurity of the library as well as the necessity that exist for more room, which the proposed building will ally meet for some years to come.

PAVERS ON STRIKE.

TROUBLE OVER NASSAU ELECTRIC ROAD PAVE-

MENTS. A number of payers and rammermen er by Contractor Charles Hart on the Nassau Electric

According to the reported statement of Charles Gallagher, who is the business agent of the Pavers' Unton, Contractor Hart told the men on Saturday

that in the future be would not pay the pavers more The pavers had been working eight and a half

CONVICTED CRIMINALS SENTENCED.

In the County Court yesterday Judges Hurd and Aspinall passed sentence on prisoners on victed last week. Frederick Titus, thirty-four years old, of No. 21 Palmetto-st., who was convicted of burglary and grand larceny, was sent to the penicentlary for three years by Judge Aspinali. Alexander Menette, the French cook who pleaded guilty to bigamy a few days ago, was sent to the penitentiary for four years. the man's first wife and his three children were destitute and likely to become charges on the county if he was imprisoned for any length of time. Judge Aspinall remarked that he was ready to leave his wife with a six-months-old child and he thought four

John Clark, convicted of grand larceny in the first degree and of receiving stolen goods, was sent to the penitentiary for four years. His wife, to whom he has been married only nine months, fainted as she was leaving the courtroom, and was carried out by a court officer.

court officer.

The other sentences passed were as follows: John Henderson, burglary, one year in the pentientiary; James Mechabe, burglary, third degree, two years and six months; Henry Lowenstein, grand larceny, second degree; burglary, third degree, and receiving stolen goods, Elmira Reformatory; Alexander Savinsky, assund, pentientary one year; James Cassidy, mallicous mischief, one year; John Keenan, burglary, two years and six months; John Henessy, stempt to commit grand larceny, one year; James Zeller, grand larceny, six months.

THE JAILS IN GOOD CONDITION.

The Grand Jury yesterday submitted its report upon the jail and county institutions. The jary found that the Raymond Street Jail and the Kings County Pentientiary are in good condition.

this cvil. Better facilities for male bathing in the almshouse was recommended. In the pentientiary forty prisoners can bathe at one time in separative apartments.

"It seems to us reasonable and fair," the report says, "that the city, which provides such comfort and means for cleanliness for those convicted of crime, should not neglect to make equal provision for those who are old, sick or infirm, and whose friends cannot provide for them."

WAREHOUSES TO BE SOLD.

THE ROBINSON STORES THROWN ON THE MARKET THROUGH A PARTITION SUIT. The property known as the Robinson Stores, on

Jeremlah P. Robinson against Isaac Robinson. A. C. Brown has been appointed referes by the

the East River, Columbia, Congress, Warren

Robinsons had been the most formidable com-petitors of that company. Much interest is mani-tested in the commercial community over the dis-position of the stores. THE REV. A. B. SEARS CALLED.

HE WILL BE PASTOR OF THE CENTRAL BAPTIST

The Central Baptist Church, in Adelphi-st., will have, after September 15, the Rev. Albert Bacon Sears as its pastor. The clergyman is now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Onelda. He received a call to the Brooklyn church a short time ago, and his letter of acceptance was read Sunday

morning. It was as follows:

One da. N. Y., June 23, 1896.

To the Central Eaptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Brethren: After much deliberation, I accept
the call of your church to bee me its pastor, praynx that the union thus formed may result in
mutual blessing and the advancement of the Kingdom of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, Yours
in Caristian love.

ALBERT BACON SEARS.

Mr. Sears is a young man, and is decidedly popumorning. It was as follows: lar with his Oneda congregation. He resigned from that church two weeks ago, but his resigna-tion has not yet been acted upon.

FLOWER STANDS MUST BE REMOVED.

Justice Smith, of the Supreme Court, yesterday The pavers had been working eight and hours a day at 30 cents an hour, and the rammer of men had received \$3.50 a day for the same number of men had received \$3.50 a day for the same number of move two flower-stands in front of Nos. 14 and 25 mov Broadway. The petitioner was George Comatus, who paying more than the men working for the Brook-lyn Heights company on the same class of work were receiving. This is defined by Gallagher. The men insis that they will remain out until their paint is gained, or satisfactory terms are made by Contractor Hart with Gallagher. to see his own display. They were directly on the to see his own display. They were directly on the sidewalk, while his place was within the sidewalk line, and he declared that they were nuisances and demanded their removal on that ground. Commissioner Willis said that the stands were erected under permits granted by Alderman Leaycraft, who was authorized by the charter of the city to issue such permits. Justice Smith holds that the charter of the city does not authorize the Aldermen to grant permits to private individuals to maintain nuisance, and that the stands must be removed.

BEAUTY AT THE BEACH. There is a beauty contest on at Manhattan Beach this week, which, it is expected, will equal the whist tournament in interest and surpass it in sentiment. It was started by Bandmaster Sousa, who set out hast year to eclipse the fame of Gilmore. Sousa, since the success of his first comic opera, is no longer to be looked at except through smoked glasses. Not to be outdone by the concert meister E. E. Rice has given unlimited orders to tailors and hairdressers and intends to enter the arena with Sousa for the purpose of proving that a black-bearded composer is will be written by the rival musicians for this oc-casion, and Mr. Seusa will display his merits in a march, while Mr. Rice means to carry his caims by

Should there be any sign of hesitation on the part of the spectators Rice will bring his "Evangeline" dams is as c'roumstantial evidence. This, it is believed, will settle the verdict. For Sousa has no approval of good looks in others, and selects his musicians for their talent rather than their appearance. Rice, on the contrary, is governed by such a sense of the charms of art and nature that he will not employ any young woman in his company who caprot conform with the lines of the Medician Venus and rival that celebrated person in coun-The tenance. Therefore, if he cannot discomfit Sousa in

County Pentientiary are in good condition. The Kinga County Hospital was found overcrowded. There is room for about 400 patients, and there are about 600 there, and mattresses have to be spread on the floor for many patients. The jury recommended that steps be taken immediately to remedy this evil. Better facilities for male bathing in the almshouse was recommended. In the pentientiary forty prisoners can bathe at one time in separate "It seems to us reasonable and fair," the report says, "that the city, which provides such comfort and means for cleanliness for those convicted of crime, should not neglect to make equal provision for those who are old sick or infirm, and whose friends cannot provide for them."